



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

MENOZZI et al

Atty. Ref.: 960-34

Serial No.: 09/192,579

Group Art Unit: 1645

Filed: November 17, 1998

Examiner: Swartz, R.

For: IDENTIFICATION AND CLONING OF A MYCOBACTERIAL ANTIGEN  
CORRESPONDING TO A HEPARIN-BINDING HAEMAGGLUTININ

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January 10, 2003

AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated  
October 10, 2002, in the above. The following comments are  
offered.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully  
requested.

Claims 56-67 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as  
being anticipated by Menozzi et al. The rejection is  
traversed.

Applicants submit that the citation does not contain  
information so as to permit molecular characterization of

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